

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 922

By Burchett

A RESOLUTION to commend Frank Meeuwis upon receiving the
Master's Social Work Student of the Year Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Frank Meeuwis of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, is one such estimable person who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all his chosen endeavors; Mr. Meeuwis has recently been selected as the recipient of the Master's Social Work Student of the Year Award; and

WHEREAS, each year, the Tennessee Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW) presents several awards at the annual Social Worker Day on the Hill. Select master's students from the four social work schools in the State are nominated by their professors for the Master's Social Work Student of the Year Award, and a committee at the state chapter level of the NASW chooses the winner from a yearly pool of nominations; and

WHEREAS, Frank Meeuwis was nominated for the prestigious award by his professor Cynthia Rocha, who cited Mr. Meeuwis's passion for social justice and social issues, dedication to social work, and enthusiasm in the field as reasons for his nomination; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Meeuwis's remarkable success as a master's student in social work is directly attributable to his reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and his uncommon ability to work well with and relate to people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Frank Meeuwis is an extremely giving person who often reaches out with compassion to people with a variety of life experiences, and he epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated public servant and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, Frank Meeuwis is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Mr. Frank Meeuwis for his honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee, congratulate him upon his receipt of the Master's Social Work Student of the Year Award, and salute his unswerving commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.